

THE TRADESMAN

DIMAN REGIONAL VOCATIONAL
TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

EDITION 1 • NEWSPAPER CLUB



SPORTS

PLAYERS OF THE 2023 SEASON

CULTURE

JAPANESE CITY MUSIC

DIMAN

GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY, PARADE, & PEP RALLY

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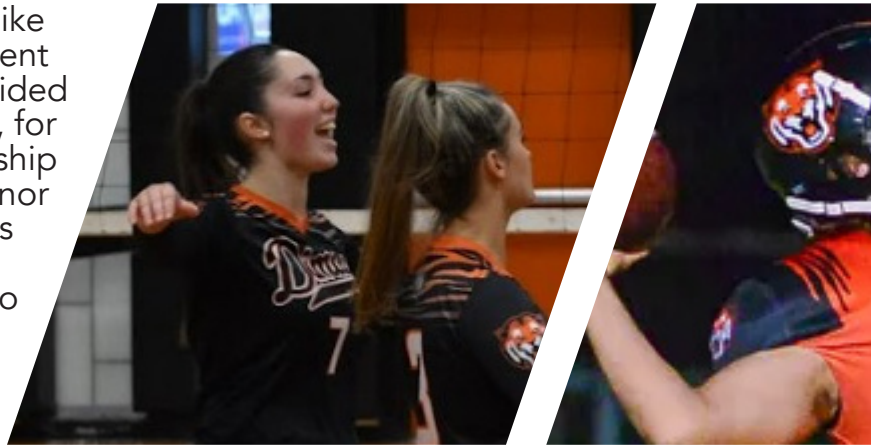
BONUS

CROSSWORD & A STUDENT'S RECIPE

Player

With the Fall Season ending at Diman, we like to take the time to honor some of our Student Athletes. The Diman's Tradesman have decided to create the "Player of the Season" award, for the players that we feel have shown leadership both on and off of the field. We want to honor our student athletes here at Diman, and this award will recognize our young players' determination, hard work, and dedication to our school's sports.

This 2023 Fall Season, we would like to honor one male and one female athlete. After much consideration, we would like to announce . . .



Diman's Male Player of the Season: Sam Perry - Junior

Sam is the quarterback of our Diman's Football team. This is Sam's second year as the starting quarterback, and has grown exponentially. He has a total of 2,155 total yards passing, third in the entire state. He also has a total of 25 touchdowns (16 passing, 9 rushing). Coach Bahry says, "Sam has put stats that are among the best of any Diman quarterback in the school's history!"

Diman's Female Player of the Season: Lindsey Moniz - Senior

Co-Captain senior Lindsey Moniz plays the Outside Hitter position for the Diman's volleyball team. She led her team with 121 aces and 202 kills! She is this year's and last year's Mayflower conference MVP, Diman's MVP, and Herald News All Star for 4 years straight. Congratulations, Lindsey!

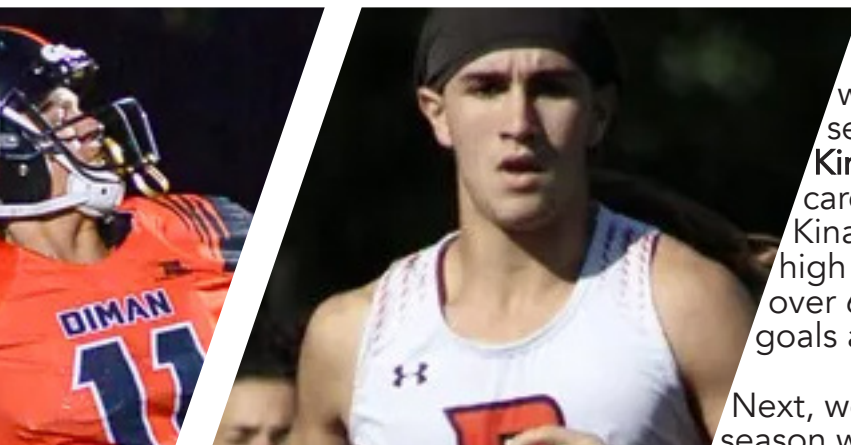
Thank you Sam and Lindsey for putting in your time and effort towards Diman's Athletics. These players have given 110% into the sports they love. We appreciate you taking your time, and hope for the best in the future of sports.

Not only would we like to thank these players, but every student in Diman who participated in our Fall Sports - they made this season remarkable. We would now like to mention the other sports that made this season great!

Starting with the boys cross country team, they had 4 new runners named **Benjamin Banister, Cashton Richard, Liam Goff, and Joshua Moniz** make varsity this year. The girls cross country team had a positive 2023 season with one of their star runners and MVP **Alexah Pedder** winning many of her races.

of the Season

2023 Fall



Another sports team that completed another great season is soccer. Starting with the girls varsity soccer, they had two senior captains - **Kiara Almedia and Elizabeth Kinane**, who finished their high school soccer career by making the All Star team. Elizabeth Kinane started playing her sophomore year of high school and during her time she has scored over 60 goals. This season alone she put in 26 goals and had 16 assists.

Next, we have boys varsity soccer who ended their season with a record of 9-7-3 and had a total of 38 goals, allowing them to finish 2nd in the MayFlower League Conference and qualify for the state tournament. Offensive player of the year went to **Aiden Furtado** who put in 11 goals this season and has a total of 31 goals in his high school career. Coaches are hoping for him to crack 50 goals in his last season next year. The boys varsity team also had two deserving players of the defensive player of the year, **Donovan Gonzaga and Cameron Cadieux**, due to what their coaches called "super speed."

The golf team had a successful season with 20 players, their biggest team yet, and three of the players being girls. **Annabelle Corey** was the first girl in 20 years to play in a varsity match this season! For the second year in a row, **RJ Leech** received the Allstar of the Mac Division title and was also awarded the MVP award.

Next, we have the dance team who placed third in their Invitational dance competition for their hip hop routine and were able to qualify for regionals this year. The coach's award went to **Michaela Mello and Ayanalise Gonzalez** for their hard work and dedication to the team.

Lastly, we have the cheer team who accomplished many new skills and grew as a team drastically this season. This season the recipients of the coach's award were **Emma Fallon, McKenna Pereira, and Jayla Bernard**. These students were reliable throughout the season and were always working hard to better their team.

As you can see, each and every player here at Diman put in 110% of their effort to make this season amazing - and we would like to thank those who participated in a sport in the 2023 sports season!

Festive First Place for Diman!

On Saturday, December 2nd, Fall River held its 39th annual Children's Holiday Parade. The parade included plenty of bands, balloons, and floats from across the Greater Fall River area – including the Relay for Life float, manned by our own Diman students from the Key Club and National Technical Honor Society. There were also Diman students carrying balloons strewn throughout the parade.

Each year, the parade's committee picks a 'winning' float out of the entire parade – and this year, the Relay For Life float was chosen as the winner! The theme was Island of Misfit Toys, and was decorated with the help of Diman students Katie Miranda and Hannah King.

Congratulations to Chef Rose, Mrs. Torres of the science department, and all of the students involved in creating and presenting this float!



Key Club Spreads Christmas Cheer at Diman

In December, the Key Club held their annual holiday fundraiser, inviting all teachers and their students to come and decorate some festive cookies! The event included holiday music, food, drinks, and even a meet-and-greet with Santa Claus himself! The event was also crashed by a surprise visit from The Grinch himself.

If you want to decorate your own themed cookies, here's a simple sugar cookie recipe that anyone can follow along with at home!

Ingredients:

2 and 1/4 cups (281g) all-purpose flour, plus more as needed for rolling and work surface
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup unsalted butter, softened to room temperature
3/4 cup granulated sugar
1 large egg, at room temperature
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract



Procedure:

1. Whisk the flour, baking powder, and salt together in a medium bowl. Set aside.
2. In a large bowl using a handheld or a stand mixer fitted with a paddle attachment, beat the butter and sugar together on high speed until completely smooth and creamy, about 2 minutes. Add the egg and vanilla, and beat on high speed until combined, about 1 minute. Scrape down the sides and up the bottom of the bowl and beat again as needed to combine.
3. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and mix on low until combined. Dough will be a bit soft. If the dough seems too soft and sticky for rolling, add 1 more Tablespoon of flour.
4. Divide the dough into 2 equal parts. Place each portion onto a piece of lightly floured parchment paper or a lightly floured silicone baking mat. With a lightly floured rolling pin, roll the dough out to about 1/4-inch thickness. Use more flour if the dough seems too sticky. The rolled-out dough can be any shape, as long as it is evenly 1/4-inch thick.
5. Lightly dust one of the rolled-out doughs with flour. Place a piece of parchment on top. (This prevents sticking.) Place the 2nd rolled-out dough on top. Cover with plastic wrap or aluminum foil, then refrigerate for at least 1-2 hours and up to 2 days.
6. Once chilled, preheat the oven to 350°F (177°C). Line 2-3 large baking sheets with parchment paper or silicone baking mats. Carefully remove the top dough piece from the refrigerator. If it's sticking to the bottom, run your hand under it to help remove. Using a cookie cutter, cut the dough into shapes. Re-roll the remaining dough and continue cutting until all is used. Repeat with 2nd piece of dough.
7. Arrange cookies on baking sheets 3 inches apart. Bake for 11-12 minutes or until lightly browned around the edges. If your oven has hot spots, rotate the baking sheet halfway through bake time. Allow cookies to cool on the baking sheet for 5 minutes then transfer to a wire rack to cool completely before decorating.

Japanese City Pop

The Genre That Took 40 Years to Love



ASPHALT LADY

by Kiyotaka Sugiyama and Omega Tribe

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On RIVER'S ISLAND REMIX
J-Pop / Soul
Released 1984

After the war, Japan had a huge economic boom, causing a lot of new found money for production and technology. Inspired by western culture & music genres like disco, funk, and soft rock, a new genre was born, which soon became synonymous with the young generation and lively city culture.



Love Was Really Gone

by Makoto Matsushita

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On First Light
City Pop
Released 1981

New technology meant new ways to create music, with some instruments now replaced with synthesizers and drum machines to create complex and unique arrangements. Especially with consumerism on the rise, many sensational city pop tracks appeared in TV commercials before becoming hits.



Miki Matsubara Best Collection

by Miki Matsubara

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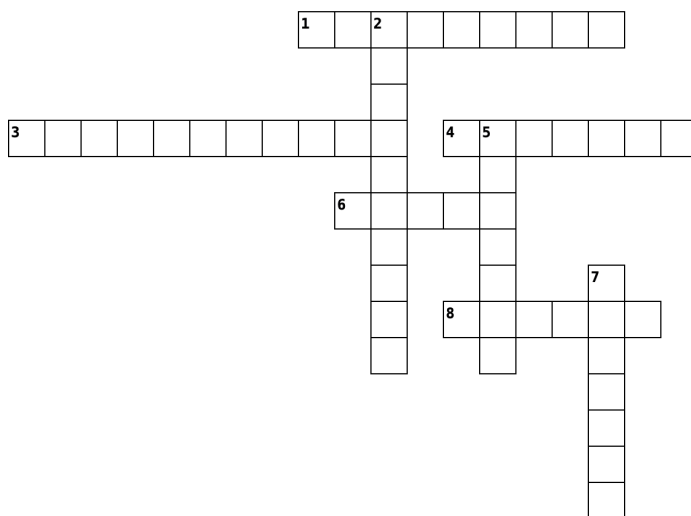
Jazz
Songs Released 1979 - 1985

Japan adored this genre during the 1970s and 80s and eventually it fell out of fashion when the younger generation grew up.



However, it didn't make it overseas until the 2010s when it exploded in popularity after fans introduced the music to video sharing websites- and apparently started buying more vinyl records. Suddenly, YouTube users began getting recommended the song "Plastic Love" from the algorithm, despite it not being particularly popular when it was initially released. This caused an enormous comeback from a new generation of young people and the previous generation who felt nostalgic for it.

The song by Mariya Takeuchi was so popular that it got numerous covers and got a 2021 reissue- which hit #1 on the Oricon singles chart in Japan, when the original '86 version only received a matching 86th place. Furthermore, during 2020, the song "Mayonaka no Door (Stay With Me)" by the beloved Miki Matsubara saw a similar resurgence after a TikTok trend took off of children recording their Japanese parents' reactions to hearing the song again.



Across

1. A sentimental feeling for the past
3. by Kiyotaka Sugiyama & Omega Tribe
4. Allowed for more production of music after booming
6. a thin, flat inscribed disc that can play sound
8. A corporate group that provides statistics and information on music in Japan

Down

2. had a resurgence of popularity from a TikTok trend
5. The customs, arts, or traditions of nations, people, or social groups
7. Plastic Love was recommended to users of this platform

*History
always
repeats
itself...*

**What genre
do you want
to make a
comeback?**

Help Wanted!

Do you have pictures of you working in shop, academics, or playing a sport? *The Yearbook Club* needs your help capturing candid photos of our students at work! Ask your teachers, coaches & club advisors to take pictures, or ask them for permission to take them yourself. If you have any pictures that you want to be included in the yearbook, please reach out to Ms. Dufour at **kdufour@dimanregional.org**.

The Tabletop Roleplay Gaming club is recruiting! Bring your imagination (and your dice) and join an amazing fantasy world where you can be anything from a strong folk-hero to a tiny trickster. The TTRPG club meets Mondays in room A244, reach out to Aiden Demarco or Chef Scott Botelho with any questions!

Key Club is always accepting new members! The Diman Key Club is a community-service based organization that focuses on giving back to the local community through food pantries, drives, kids' events, and more. The club typically meets Wednesday mornings at 7:30 in Room 251, reach out to Chef Meredith Rose with any questions!

The Diman Guitar Club is your spot to connect with students who are just as passionate about playing the guitar as you are. From beginner to advanced, everyone is welcome to join – bring your own guitar or borrow one from the school!

The Diman Ski & Snowboarding club is getting ready to plan its 2024 trip! The club is open to both beginners and intermediate snowgoers for you to spend a day hitting the slopes together. If you're interested, talk to Ms. Pettine or Mrs. Santos.

(If you have a club or volunteer opportunity to promote, reach out to the Diman Newspaper team!)